

29 November 1950

MEMORANDUM

During the debate in the House of Representatives on 7 March 1949 in connection with the Central Intelligence Agency Act of 1949 (Public Law 110). The following remarks were made in connection with Section 4 of the bill which provides for education and training. This Section had been attacked by Representative Marcantonio on the grounds that it would permit CIA to put spies in labor organizations and other groups in the United States.

The following quotations are applicable:

"Mr. HOLIFIELD. I would like to question the gentleman from Missouri. On page 4 of the report, subsection 5(b), it is provided that an employee while in this country on leave may be assigned to temporary duty in the United States for special purposes or reorientation prior to returning to foreign service.

"In the original unification bill passed through the Committee on Expenditures, of which I am a member, we had the setting up of this CIA. It was clearly brought out at that time that no internal security work of any kind would be done by the CIA; that all of its intelligence work would be done in a foreign field. In view of this particular paragraph here I want to be assured at this time that such special duties as are mentioned here, or reorientation, do not apply to security functions in the United States.

"Mr. SASSCER. Mr. Speaker, if the gentleman will yield, I will say to the gentleman that that is correct, that this bill is in no wise directed to internal security. If they come back here it is purely a matter of leave, and reorientation, and training to go back into their work in foreign fields."

OGC Has Reviewed

CONGRESSIONAL REPORT
20 June 1949

BILLS SIGNED BY THE PRESIDENT

New Laws

(For last listing of Public Laws, see Digest, p. D571)

H. R. 4263, authorizing Agriculture Department to carry out operations to combat the citrus blackfly, white-fringed beetle, and the Hall scale. Signed June 17, 1949 (P. L. 106);

H. R. 1754, to provide for the suspension of annual assessment work on mining claims held by location in the U. S. Signed June 17, 1949 (P. L. 107);

S. 213, to provide benefits for members of Reserve components of the armed forces who suffer disability or death from injuries incurred while engaged in active-duty training for periods less than 30 days or while engaged in inactive-duty training. Signed June 20, 1949 (P. L. 108);

H. R. 2361, Reorganization Act of 1949. Signed June 20, 1949 (P. L. 109);

H. R. 2663, to provide for administration of Central Intelligence Agency. Signed June 20, 1949 (P. L. 110);

EDITORS

PRESIDENT TRUMAN HAS SIGNED HR 2663, TO PROVIDE FOR
ADMINISTRATION OF THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY.

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UNITED STATES SENATE

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June 10, 1949

Rear Admiral R. H. Hillenkoetter
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Admiral Hillenkoetter:

Many thanks for your letter of June 8.

I am glad the bill went through and
appreciate your thinking I was of a little
assistance.

Sincerely,

(s)

Leverett Saltonstall
United States Senator

9 JUN 1949

Mr. Roger W. Jones
Assistant Director in Charge of
Legislative Reference
Bureau of the Budget
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Mrs. Finster

Dear Mr. Jones:

Reference is made to your transmittal sheet of 8 June 1949, requesting our comments on enrolled bill H.R. 2663, an act to provide for the administration of the Central Intelligence Agency. This bill was submitted to the Congress by CIA on 11 February 1949 with the approval of the Bureau of the Budget. The authorities granted in the bill are as originally requested. Except for certain minor changes in language, H.R. 2663 is substantially the same as when originally submitted to the Congress.

As this bill contains the authorization for CIA appropriations, the cost of the bill is identical with the sums already appropriated or proposed for this Agency. No additional funds need be requested for the authorities granted therein.

Three typographical errors have been noted in the enrolled text of H.R. 2663 as submitted by you to this Agency. These errors have also been noted by the enrolling clerk of the House of Representatives, and have been corrected by him prior to the forwarding of the signed copies to the White House. These errors are:

- (1) On page 2, paragraph (d), line 5, a comma should be inserted between the words "(c)" and "by".

8 March 1949

SUBJECT: CIA Interest in Admission of Aliens.

1. Section 8 of H.R. 2663 as reported by the House Committee on Armed Services (House Report No. 150), and as passed by the House on 7 March 1949 reads as follows:

"Whenever the Director and the Attorney General shall determine that the entry of a particular alien into the United States for permanent residence is in the interest of national security or essential to the furtherance of the national intelligence mission, such alien and his immediate family shall be given entry into the United States for permanent residence without regard to their inadmissibility under the immigration or any other laws and regulations, or to the failure to comply with such laws and regulations pertaining to admissibility: Provided, That the number of aliens and members of their immediate families entering the United States under the authority of this section shall in no case exceed one hundred persons in any one fiscal year."

2. This Section as passed has the full approval of the Central Intelligence Agency, the Attorney General, the Department of Justice and the Department of State. It was at the suggestion of the Department of Justice that the Attorney General was included in this Section because the responsibility of the enforcement of the immigration laws lies with the Department. In view of the fact that these laws were being waived insofar as they applied to the admissibility of these one hundred aliens, it was felt by the Department, and readily concurred in by CIA, that the Attorney General should be included in the section. It should also be added that this entire legislation, as well as this immigration proviso, has the approval of the Bureau of the Budget and the General Accounting Office.

3. It should be pointed out that the purpose of this Section is one intimately tied into the national intelligence mission, and is not in any way connected with the humanitarian proposals involving general immigration legislation dealing with quotas, displaced persons and other aliens for entry into the United States.

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD
27 May 1949

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March 18, 1949

Honorable Millard E. Tydings,
Room #227,
Senate Office Building,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Tydings:

Under date of March 11, 1949, I wrote to you that I was constrained to object to the consideration and passage of H.R. 2663, which is a bill providing for the administration of the Central Intelligence Agency.

Since writing to you, I have made careful study of the provisions of the bill, which were of especial concern to the Senate Committee on the Judiciary.

I no longer desire that an objection be interposed to the consideration and passage of this bill, and am pleased to lend my support to its early consideration and passage.

With kindest regards, I am,

Sincerely,

Pat McCarran, Chairman